CHAPTER 247

(House Bill 767)

AN ACT concerning

Child Care - Consolidation

FOR the purpose of streamlining the regulatory process for child care by consolidating certain regulatory authority in the Department of Human Resources; transferring responsibility for child care centers from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to the Department of Human Resources; providing that child care centers shall include certain facilities under certain circumstances; providing a certain exemption for certain religious organizations; providing that the-Administrative--Procedure--Act certain provisions will govern when immediate suspension of the child care license becomes necessary under certain circumstances; repealing certain injunction provisions; providing for a certain multidisciplinary team to convene when reports are made involving child care centers; providing for State Police assistance to a local law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; providing that this Act shall supersede certain local laws, ordinances, and regulations; providing for the transfer of certain employees of local governments to the Department of Human Resources under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Human Resources to conduct a certain study and report to certain standing committees of the General Assembly by a certain date; specifying that nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit a local jurisdiction from enhancing certain provisions of law relating to child care centers; requiring the Department of Human Resources to consult with certain persons in developing certain rules and regulations; requiring the Department of Human Resources to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the regulation of child care; -and-making-this-Act-an-emergency-measure.

BY repealing

Article - Health - General The subtitle "Subtitle 1. Children" of Title 14 Annotated Code of Maryland (1987 Replacement Volume)

BY transferring and renumbering, with amendments,

Article - Health - General Section 14-101 through 14-119, inclusive Annotated Code of Maryland (1987 Replacement Volume)